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In re application of

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For: POLYMERIC THICKENERS FOR OIL-CONTAINING COMPOSITIONS

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This is a decision on the PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181 TO WITHDRAW THE FINALITY of the office action mailed October 10, 2003.

DECISION

It is noted that no final rejection was mailed to applicant prior to the filing of this petition thereby making this petition non-timely. Accordingly, the petition is DISMISSED.

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